

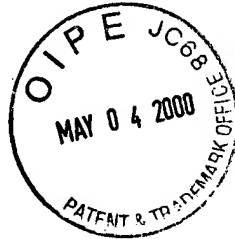
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Suong-Hyu HYON et al

Serial Number: 08/640,738

Filed: May 6, 1996



Group Unit: 3738

Examiner: T. Nguyen

For: ULTRA HIGH MOLECULAR WEIGHT POLYETHYLENE MOLDED ARTICLE FOR
ARTIFICIAL JOINTS AND METHOD OF PREPARING THE SAME

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Director of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: May 4, 2000

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated January 4, 2000, for one month from April 4, 2000, to May 4, 2000.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$110.00, to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340. Two copies of this paper are enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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